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SUBJECT: GATT; TOKYO MEETING

REF: STATE 174325

1. CHARGE RAISED ISSUE SUBJECT OF REFTEL WITH MINECON MOLINA
SEPT. 1. SINCE MOLINA NOT CONVERSANT WITH PROBLEM, CHARGE
PROMISED HAVE EMBOFF DISCUSS ISSUE WITH MINECON STAFF. ACCORD-
INGLY, EMBOFF MET WITH VICE MINECON INTEGRATION BARRIOS, RE-
VIEWED BACKGROUND OF GENEVA MEETING AND DRAFT TOKYO DECLARATION,
SUPPORT OF MAJORITY LATIN PARTICIPANTS (EXCEPT ANDEAN BLOC AND
CUBA) FOR THAT COMPROMISE DECLARATION, AND SUBSEQUENT APPARENT
REVERSAL THROUGH CECLA STATEMENT. BARRIOS WAS UNAWARE OF CONFLICT
BETWEEN DRAFT DECLARATION AND STATEMENT. IF GUATEMALA HAD ADOPTED
CONTRADICTORY POSITIONS IN THE TWO MEETINGS (HE WAS NOT SURE HOW
GUATEMALA HAD VOTED) HE ASCRIBED IT TO FACT GOG USUALLY NAMES
DELEGATIONS FROM ITS EMBASSIES AT SITE OF MEETING AND FAILS PROVIDE
THEM WITH ADQUATE GUIDANCE. REGRETTING THIS SITUATION,
BARRIOS PROMISED TO HAVE APPROPRIATE OFFICE IN MINISTRY
ECONOMY COMPARE DECLARATION AND STATEMENT, DEFINE GOG POSI-
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TION, AND INSTRUCT AMBASSADOR GANDARA (GUATEMALAN DELEGATE

TO TOKYO MEETING). BARRIOS DID NOT, RPT NOT, STATE THAT HE
WOULD INSTRUCT GANADARA SUPPORT DECLARATION AS NOW DRAFTED.
HE OBVIOUSLY COULDN'T SINCE GOG QUITE CLEARLY HASN'T
TAKEN POSITION ON ISSUE YET, IT HAS MERELY LET ITS DELEGATES
USE THEIR BEST JUDGMENT.

2. SUGGEST SOMEONE FROM US DELEGATION CONTACT GANDARA PRIOR
TO MEETING TO DETERMINE IF HE HAS RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS. IF HE HAS
NOT, DANGER IS THAT HE MIGHT SUPPORT ANDEAN BLOC INITIATIVES ON
SIMPLE GROUNDS OF LATIN SOLIDARITY WITHOUT FOCUSING ON ISSUE.
ASSUMING GOG SUPPORTED BOTH DRAFT DECLARATION AND CECLA STATE-
MENT, POINTING OUT SUCH CONTRADICTION MIGHT CAUSE HIM TO SEEK
INSTRUCTIONS. DECONTROL AFTER 9/4/78
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